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"Promoting Quality of Life in our Community"

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To: Members of the Review Panel

Subject: Respecting the Past, Planning for the Future: Assessing Cultural Resources and Watershed Connectivity Associated with a Proposed China Camp State Park Road Modification Project

Dear Panel:

The Point San Pedro Road Coalition ("Coalition") is pleased offer our support for the above-captioned NERRS Science Collaborative Research (NSC) proposal. The purpose of our non-profit organization is to enhance and preserve the beauty and environment of the area and promote the health and safety of the residents of the Pt. San Pedro Road corridor who regularly traverse China Camp road. For additional information about the Coalition and our environmentally-related committees, please visit our website at www.sprcoaltion.org.

Residents in our community are concerned because the shoreline road through China Camp floods several times a year on higher high tides, will flood more often, longer and deeper with sea level rise, and it limits hydrologic connectivity to inland marshes.

The China Camp road project is of vital importance to our community. We have long known that maintaining Pt. San Pedro Road as a viable transportation corridor is essential to the safety of our neighborhoods on the southeastern portion of Point San Pedro. However, when we got involved with the SF Bay NERR-led effort to address these road issues, the environmental issues involving China Camp's tidal marshes, as well as recreational issues, we didn't fully appreciate the complexities of this situation. We are very pleased with this collaborative, community-based process and are very supportive of this research proposal, especially if it will ultimately help the park to secure funding to modify the road for sea level rise resiliency, marsh ecological integrity, public use and public safety over time.

Best regards,

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